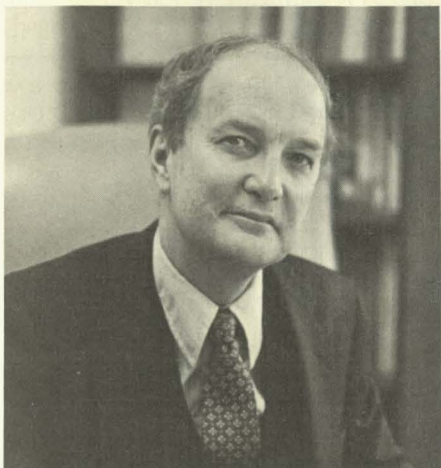


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President Robert K. Ackerman

From The President's Desk

One of the major tasks facing Wesleyan now is to define our distinctive features and devise plans to enhance them. This means that we must be knowledgeable and respectful of our traditions and at the same time, aware of the current marketplace. I have begun a long-range planning process with members of the College faculty and staff. We are now in the early stages of identifying the several programs which should be improved. We shall develop programs to achieve true excellence and then do the marketing to be sure that a reasonable number of women take advantage of these programs.

I can personally point to three features which I believe are distinctive to Wesleyan. We are a women's college; we are related to the United Methodist Church; and we are an institution committed to the liberal and fine arts. Each of these features is a point of strength, but only so if we work in that direction.

We know that women do in fact achieve more on the average if they attend women's colleges. We know this from the remarkable achievements of our own alumnae and from recent studies done at the national level. Still, there is a problem in marketing a women's col-

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Wesleyan to Reinstate Equestrian Program

Beginning next fall, an equestrian program again will be a part of the activities at Wesleyan College. Barbara Sneden Exum '66 will head the program, which will feature all aspects of horsemanship from basic riding to horse health, judging, breeding, and showing. Students also will be able to board their own horses.

According to a recent "looking back" article reprinted in *The Macon Telegraph and News* by reporter and Wesleyan journalism instructor Emily Chase Cook '70, it was 50 years ago when Wesleyan's first riding program for physical education credit got underway at the College with 40 students enrolled. At that time, F. Wade Stepp, manager of the Rivoli Riding Club, was the instructor. Mr. Stepp was assisted by Ernestine Grote, head of the College's physical education department. The students used horses at the Riding Club. The riding program continued until the 1960's.

With the renovation of the on-campus stables, construction of a show ring, the provision of full daily care for the horses and five miles of riding trails, students again can look forward to a very comprehensive program.

Having been a riding student at Wesleyan, Mrs. Exum is enthusiastic about the program's potential. "I want the students not only to learn how to ride," she said, "but also to get an in-depth education in all aspects of horsemanship. I'll be teaching riding on many levels from beginning to advanced, but there's much more to riding than learning how to stay on the horse. I hope to learn from the students, too," she said. "It will be a good experience for all of us."

A veteran riding instructor, Mrs. Exum has owned and operated the Cedar Hill Equestrian School in Juliette, GA for nine years. She also has been Program and Camp Director for the YWCA for six years and has managed the Middle



Barbara Sneden Exum '66

Georgia Girl Scout Camp riding program since 1979.

She is the area representative for the U.S. Equestrian team, a member of the Belle Meade Hunt Club, the Middle Georgia Saddle Club and the Deep South Arabian Club. During her career, she has won many awards and trophies for her skills.

Wesleyan riding students will benefit from her involvement by being able to participate in some of these riding-related activities in the Middle Georgia community.

Admissions Director Norman Jones is excited about the program. He said, "I've been talking informally with high school students who own horses and they're very interested."

Those who would like more details on the program may write to Mr. Jones in the Admissions Office, Wesleyan College, 4760 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA 31297; or call him at 912-477-1110, extension 204.

Wesleyan President Robert K. Ackerman says, "This program is an excellent addition to the curriculum because it will allow our students one more opportunity to learn skills and participate in an activity which they can enjoy throughout their lives."

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Patriotic banners adorned the Macon City Auditorium and a popular local band kept the action moving as Wesleyan students joined with two other area colleges to hold the nation's first college-sponsored benefit—a dance—for the restoration of the Statue of Liberty.

Originally the idea of Wesleyan Student Activities Director Lizann Youmans '81, the benefit idea captured the imagination of officials and students at Mercer University and Macon Junior College; and the resulting participation from all three schools was enthusiastic. More than 500 students attended, and the benefit netted over \$1,000 for the project.

President's Desk—

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lege to young women fascinated by large co-educational institutions, often considered glamorous because of their athletic prowess. To get these young women to look beyond the glitter of Saturday afternoon football to the possibilities of enhanced achievements over a lifetime presents a challenge. We need the help of alumnae in this.

I am convinced that a college which is unapologetically based on the traditions of the Christian Church is in a ideal position to engage students in a superb education. This position, if truly appreciated, should encourage us in the process of ensuring that students ask the "why" questions which are vital to a real education. Learning to answer only the "how to" questions is training; it is not real education. Our tradition is not doctrinaire. Rather than using our church-relatedness to discourage questioning, I would have it impel us to ask more questions. Ours is a humane, value-centered Christian tradition. We can never assume that piety can be substituted for competence. Our Christian tradition should lead us to demand more of ourselves, not less.

Our tradition of emphasis on the liberal and fine arts leads us to get our students involved in a process of lifetime learning. We want for our students the kind of depth-and-breadth-learning which will serve for a lifetime of change, a lifetime of adaptation. Wesleyan graduates must continue to be the kind of broadly competent, value-sensitive, effective people so characteristic of our tradition. There is no necessary conflict between preparation for business and the arts and the liberal arts. We must ensure that professional education is strongly undergirded by liberal learning, so that the graduates are prepared not just for the first job, but for careers of growth.

While it is good to be distinctive, we must also be aware of national trends. The recently-published study of higher education, *Involvement in Learning* (the higher education equivalent of *The Nation At Risk*) found three conditions for excellence: increased student involve-

ALUMNAE HIGHLIGHTS

Alumnae Weekend To Feature Reunions, Recital

Alumnae Weekend 1985 will feature many activities in addition to class reunions.

On Friday, Alumnae members of the Washboard Band will practice for a performance at that evening's dinner behind Jones Residence Hall. At 8 pm, Ellen Futral Peck '83 will present a recital in Porter Auditorium as part of the Outstanding Young Alumnae Series.

Saturday's events will include juice and coffee at the President's home. The Alumnae members of the Wesleyannes choral group will practice for a performance to be given at a reception following the Annual Meeting of the Alumnae Association.

Late Saturday afternoon activities will include a tour of Historic Macon or the Student-Alumnae Soccer Game. The Golden Belles Dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m.

Reservation forms have been mailed—if you have not received one, contact the Alumnae Office.

ment in learning, higher expectations of students, and continuing assessment of the educational process. I am immensely encouraged by the study. Wesleyan College, because of its size and traditions, is ideally equipped to get students actively involved in learning (avoiding dependence on the passive learning of taking notes in a large lecture hall), to expect and get more from students in an enriched environment of greater faculty-student interaction; and we can more easily measure our progress and adjust when necessary.

I look forward to working with you in achieving the kind of future we all want for Wesleyan.

Wesleyan Alumnae Phonathon Goes Over Goal

A six-night national Alumnae Phonathon by Macon Alumnae and Wesleyan students in February enabled the Loyalty fund not only to reach its goal of \$30,000 in pledges, but to exceed it. A total of \$33,000 was pledged to be sent to Wesleyan by June 30, 1985.

Phonathon chairmen for one night each were Adriane Kelly Wood '73, Beth Sullins Hughes '75, Jackie Davis Richardson '60, Jane Speir Brook '76, and Margaret Mitchell Morgan '37. Alumnae callers were Sara Griffin Landry, Denise Propst Capps, Karen Connor Shockley, Frances Smith Kite, Dot Simmons Odell, Glennnda Kingry Gandy, Sally Anderson Hemmingway, Judy Warren Edwards, Emily Whitaker Vickers, Anne Maria Domingos, Carolyn Wade Barry, Leila Avera Harris, May Walker, Flippy Sitton Adams, Dot Redwine Black and Carolyn Gibson Phelps.

The Atlanta Area Phonathon will be held in March. Judy Sanders '79 is chairman for the Atlanta area. The Alumnae Loyalty Fund Goal for 1984-85 is \$200,000 by June 30.



Jackie David Richardson '60 and Alumnae Director Frances Bruce Van Horn '53 work on the final details of this year's successful Alumnae Phonathon.

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Wesleyan Alumnae Weekend
April 19-21, 1985
Reunion Classes
Class Presidents or Representatives

1917 - Mrs. T.H. Rentz
 nee Jean Oliphant
 424 Drexel Avenue
 Decatur, Georgia 30030

1925 - Mrs. Carey Williams
 nee Celeste Copelan
 Welcome Hill
 Greensboro, Georgia 30642

1930 - Mrs. Wesley Green
 nee Charlye Mathews
 704 Evergreen Street
 Perry, Georgia 31069

Mrs. T.W. Dennis
 nee Helen Ross
 217 Calloway
 Macon, Georgia 31204

1931 - Mrs. F.C. Nixon
 nee Hazel Macon
 4919 Prince Edward Road
 Jacksonville, Florida 32210

Cons. -Mrs. F.C. Evans
 nee Julia Bryant
 Bartow, Georgia 30413

1932 - Mrs. R.S. Munford
 nee Virginia Townsend
 5487 Ridgewood Road
 Jackson, Mississippi 39211

Mrs. Buel Odell
 nee Dorothy Simmons
 3878 The Prado
 Macon, Georgia 31204

1935 - Mrs. R.W. Thrower
 nee Margaret Munroe
 2240 Woodward Way, N.W.
 Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Cons. -Mrs. Ida R. Grizzard
 nee Ida Renfroe
 8th and Walnut
 Louisville, Georgia 30434

1950 - Mrs. J.V. Robertson, Jr.
 nee Martha Ann Wood
 Box 186
 Rocky Face, Georgia 30740

Cons. -Mrs. W.Y. Smith
 nee Mary Paul Smith
 1542 Crescent Drive
 Kingsport, Tennessee 37664

1955 - Mrs. James H. Gordon
 nee Frances Moulthrop
 1624 Hazen Road
 DeLand, Florida 32720

1957 - Mrs. Leo Wade
 nee Joyce Bell
 37 Country Club Drive
 Union Point, Georgia 30669

1958 - Mrs. John W. Payne
 nee Jensene Godwin
 1453 Lexington Avenue
 New York New York 10028

1960 - Mrs. G. Paul Logue
 nee Victoria Wilson
 2503 Camille Drive
 Columbus, Georgia 31906

Mrs. David L. Richardson
 nee Jacquelyn Davis
 4857 Guerry Drive
 Macon, GA 31210

1969 - Mrs. Ann R. Barbour
 nee Ann Reaves
 99½ Pocahontas Street
 Buckhannon, West Virginia 26201

1970 - Mrs. John Fox
 nee Peggy Persons
 4242 Garibaldi Avenue
 Jacksonville, Florida 32210

1971 - Mrs. Roy Robinson Kelly, III
 nee Deborah Smith
 Box 191
 Monticello, Georgia 31064

1972 - Mrs. J.C. Sheehan
 nee Susie McDonald
 2183 Gabriel Lane
 W. Palm Beach, Florida 33406

1975 - Mrs. Steven Kirkley
 nee Mary Coble
 105 Cypress Drive, Rt. 2
 Eastman, Georgia 31023

1982 - Miss Cynthia Bell
 5931 Hallwood Ct.
 Lithonia, Georgia 30058

The Wesleyan College Theatre
 presents
When the Bough Breaks
 by Patti Key Leverett
 April 11, 12, 13
 8:00 P.M. Porter Auditorium
 Full Proscenium Production
 Directed by Celia Hughes

DR. KAYRON C. McMINN, dean of the College, has been named one of 60 participants in the 1985 class of Leadership Georgia. She and three other Maconites were chosen from hundreds of nominees throughout the state to participate in this educational program, which is designed to prepare its participants for active roles in the affairs and development of the state.

Dean McMinn will participate in statewide workshops and seminars featuring programs on leadership development, growth within Georgia, the quality of life, the growing crime rate and managing growth. Each program will be led by outstanding authorities on these subjects.

DR. PRISCILLA DANHEISER, assistant dean and registrar, has been chosen as one of 27 participants in the 1985 Leadership Macon program.

Sponsored by the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce, the program exposes participants to the issues and problems confronting the community, informs them about local institutions, and provides them with the opportunity to know one another better. This year, the group will attend a retreat and monthly educational programs.

Dr. Danheiser also is secretary-treasurer of the Georgia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Counselors; and in July, will become president-elect of the group.

DR. EARL BARGAINNIER, Calloway Professor of English, has been elected president of the national Popular Culture Association for 1984-86.

The organization was formed by teachers of American Studies who wanted to study culture in the broadest sense of the word. Over 3,000 college professors from many fields are members of this interdisciplinary organization.

Dr. Bargainnier's major field of interest in popular culture is detective fiction, and he is the author of several books and has been editor of other works on the subject.

On sabbatical this spring, Dr. Bargainnier is working on a book of Victorian poetry, his field of study in graduate school.

FACULTY NOTES

DR. CINDY BUELL, communications department chairperson, will co-present a workshop called "Business and Professional Speaking," to be held at the National Speech Communications Convention in Denver next November.

DR. BILL CURRY, professor of psychology, has been named to the Board of Directors of the Macon-Bibb County Family Counseling Center.

Paintings and drawings by SCOTT DUCE, assistant professor of art, were displayed from February 13 to March 13 in a four-artist exhibition at the Phyllis Weil Gallery on Park Ave. in New York City.

Mr. Duce's works also will be on display April 5 to May 26 at the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art in Winston Salem, N.C.

To be shown are works by the seven 1984 grant recipients of SECCA, of which Mr. Duce was one. He will have three drawings and three paintings on exhibit.

Pianist EDWARD EIKNER'S February 4 performance at Carnegie Recital Hall in New York City received a standing ovation. Mr. Eikner, who is Comer Associate Professor of Fine Arts at Wesleyan, performed works by Chopin, Beethoven and Liszt.

Many members of the appreciative audience which packed the hall were alumnae, students, faculty and friends of the College who had flown to New York to attend the recital. After the performance, President and Mrs. Ackerman were hosts for a Wesleyan-sponsored reception in Mr. Eikner's honor.

In addition to previous performances in New York and other major U.S. cities, Mr. Eikner has given concerts and recitals throughout the world.

DR. JOHN HEMPHILL and DR. SCOTT HEWIT are directing workshops for Warner Robins Air Force Base GA. schools in March. Dr. Hemphill will lead "Motivating Writers" and Dr. Hewit's workshop is on "Evaluation Techniques for Administrators, Teachers, Students and Parents."

Associate Professor of Education JOHN HEMPHILL has published an article entitled "Sharing Poetry with Children: Stevenson to Silverstein." It appears in the fall, 1984, edition of *The Advocate* (vol. 4, no. 1), a publication of the Advocates for Literature for Young People. Dr. Hemphill is also a guest columnist for the *Macon Telegraph and News*.

SCOTT HEWIT, assistant professor of education has been elected Legislative Chairperson for the Georgia Association for Young Children. Dr. Hewit also has worked for almost a year as a volunteer with the Georgia Advocacy Office. In addition to identifying people interested in or needing advocacy, Dr. Hewit advises and represents the Advocacy program in the community.

Advocates work with people who are handicapped, elderly and alone, or from disadvantaged environments, providing them with individual attention and help. "We do things that institutions can't," Dr. Hewit said.

Currently the advocate of a mildly mentally handicapped child, Dr. Hewit works with the child, his family and his school. The goal is to provide a stimulating outside environment through activities such as attending plays, visiting good playgrounds and interacting with other members of the Hewit family. "My own eight-year-old son, Dusty, is as much an advocate as I am," Dr. Hewit said.

DR. JACOB SANCHEZ QUIAMBAO, Manget Professor of Philosophy, Religions and Missions, has been awarded the Americanism Medal by the Mary Hammond Washington Chapter (located in Macon) of the Daughters of the American Revolution. This medal is presented to naturalized citizens who have made outstanding contributions to their country.

Although 35 such awards are presented nationally each year, Dr. Quiambao's medal was the first to be given locally.

Dr. Quiambao, who is chairman of the Department of Religion and Philosophy, has been a U.S. citizen since 1977. He began teaching at Wesleyan in 1972.

Dr. Quiambao also attended the

United Methodist Chaplain's Convocation and the National Conference of the National Association of College and University Chaplains in February.

The paintings of Art Department Chairman TONY RICE have received praise from Theodore F. Wolff of the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Mr. Rice's painting, "Pale Horse," and others appeared among selected works of five Southern artists in the exhibit entitled "5 Fold" which hung in the Greenville (SC) County Museum of Art.

In the article entitled, "Art in South Carolina," critic Wolff said, "What I saw was outstanding, both in the quality (of the art) and the significance of the exhibitions within which it was presented. I was....taken....by Anthony Rice's paintings in '5 Fold!'"

Mr. Rice's paintings also were on display in an exhibit entitled, "Boston Printmakers' 37th National Exhibit," at the Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts.

Assistant Professor of Art ARTHUR L. WERGER has been selected to receive an individual artist fellowship from the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art in Winston-Salem, NC.

One of only seven artists to receive the award, Mr. Werger was chosen from over a thousand artists who applied from every state in the Southeast.

His fellowship is accompanied by a major exhibition of the winning artists at SECCA in April, 1986. The exhibition will also travel to two other museums during 1986.

MR. ALAN WILLIAMS, instructor in the Department of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology, recently presented a lecture on "Strategies of Self-Control" to over 300 mental health professionals and members of the public at Charter Lake Hospital's Educational Center in Macon. This spring, Mr. Williams also addressed teachers from Charter Lake Hospital, a psychiatric facility owned by the Charter Medical Corporation. His subject was "Teaching Behavior Modification to Teachers."



"Rocky Coast - Iona Scotland"

Three watercolor paintings donated to the Wesleyan Permanent Collection by Dr. Gerry Bosch, former Wesleyan professor of painting and drawing, have been hung in the West Wing of the Cowles Myles Art Galleries in the Porter Fine Arts Building.

"Rocky Coast-Iona Scotland," pictured left, is dedicated to Dr. J. Frederick Wilson, former acting President of the College.

In Memoriam

DR. SAMUEL LUTTRELL AKERS 1898-1985

At noon on Wednesday, January 30, 1985, the Wesleyan carillon tolled to acknowledge the death of Dr. Samuel Luttrell Akers and to commemorate his life of service to this College.

In 1929 Dr. Akers received the Ph.D. from Yale, and in September of that year began his service to Wesleyan as Associate Professor of Philosophy and Psychology. Thus began an association that grew into a love and respect between this man and this College that lasted nearly six decades.

Dr. Akers had the dual role at Wesleyan of teacher and administrator. He served as Dean of the College from 1937 to 1958, during the administration of six College Presidents.

In 1958 Dr. Akers was officially named Counselor and Chaplain. His active interest in all student affairs led to the students honoring him by establishing the Samuel L. Akers Stunt Scholarship.

In expressing their love and admiration for Dr. Akers, the faculty passed a resolution which ended with the following paragraph:

"We, the Wesleyan Faculty of 1985, wish to honor the memory of this man whose long career gave form and tone to Wesleyan. With admirable constancy he supported 'its long relationship to the United Methodist Church,' 'the tradition of open inquiry in the pursuit of truth,' and 'the belief that a firm grasp of enduring human values is basic to principled living and intelligent service.' His whole life testifies to his belief in this college and its mission. We honor his life and his memory."

Noted Ichthyologist To Speak



Dr. Eugenie Clark

(Photo courtesy of Paul Sampson, *National Geographic*)

Dr. Eugenie Clark, ichthyologist and professor of zoology at the University of Maryland, will be guest lecturer at Wesleyan College on Tuesday, April 9.

Dr. Clark, who is known throughout the world for her research and teaching in marine life, will address the student body at 11:15 a.m. in Porter Auditorium. The public is invited free of charge. She will spend the rest of the day at Wesleyan visiting science classes and labs.

Widely known for her popular articles in magazines such as *National Geographic*, *International Wildlife*, *Science Digest* and *Natural History*, Clark has also written 30 papers for technical publications and authored two books: *The Lady and the Sharks* and *Lady with a Spear*, a book-of-the-month club selection which has been translated into eight languages and 23 foreign editions. An expert on shark behavior, she has contributed chapters to six books on that subject.

Dr. Clark received the BA degree from Hunter College, and the MA and Ph.D degrees from New York University. For two years she also studied at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography at the Woods Hole Marine Biological Station.

In 33 years, Dr. Clark has received 37 research grants and contracts from agencies such as the Atomic Energy Commission, the Fulbright Commission, the National Science Foundation and many other notable scientific establishments.

Arts Alive! To Be Offered June 16-22

The Wesleyan Music Department again will offer "Arts Alive!," a week of summer study for pre-college students. To be held June 16-22, "Arts Alive!" will feature private instruction and related classes by Wesleyan and guest faculty members. Piano students in grades 7-12 and voice students in grades 11-12 are eligible to participate.

Dr. Jane McGrath '72, a member of the University of Oklahoma faculty, will be the featured artist for the week. She will be joined by Nancy Rowland Rehberg '72 and Laura Shaip, dance instructor, to augment the College music faculty for the program. Participating music faculty members will include Dr. Fletcher Anderson, Fine Arts Division chairman; Edward Eikner, Comer Associate Professor of Fine Arts; John O'Sheen, Hightower Associate Professor of Music, and Nancy Dyes, instructor of music.

Since 1985 is the tercentenary of Bach, Handel and Scarlatti, the week's activities will focus on music of the Baroque Period.

Eligible students may contact the Wesleyan College Music Department, 4760 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA 31297 for application materials.

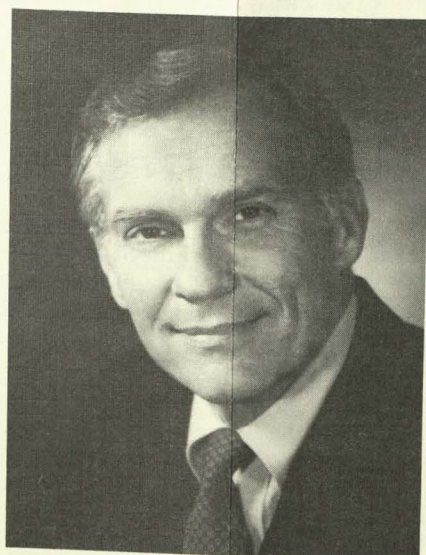
The Wesleyan College Alumnae Association offers a **CANADIAN ROCKIES ADVENTURE**

June 21 - June 30, 1985
\$1499 per person from
Edmonton/Vancouver

NEW ENGLAND and CAPE COD YACHT CRUISE

August 10 - 17, 1985
Cruise Rate Per Person starts
at \$1199, double occupancy

Contact the Alumnae Office for
details. Friends of
Alumnae are welcome.



Dr. Paul Hardin
1984-85 Belk Lecturer

Dr. Paul Hardin To Present Belk Lectures

Dr. Paul Hardin, President of Drew University in Madison, New Jersey will be the 1984-85 Belk Lecturer at Wesleyan College. He will present two addresses on Thursday, March 21. The first of these, to be given at 11:15 a.m. in Porter Auditorium is entitled, "The Church-Related College." The second lecture, at 8:00 p.m. in the Benson Room of the Candler Alumnae Center, will be on "The College-Related Church."

Dr. Hardin's distinguished career has included presidencies at Southern Methodist University and Wofford College. Formerly a practicing attorney, he has held law professorships at Duke University, the University of Texas, the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Virginia.

In 1952, Dr. Hardin received the A.B. Degree and in 1954, the J.D. Degree from Duke University. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he was first

in his law class. He holds honorary degrees from Clemson University, Comer College and Nebraska Wesleyan College.

Dr. Hardin has written many articles on the law and has co-authored two books: *Cases and Materials on the Administration of Criminal Justice* (1966), and *Evidence: Cases and Materials* (1968).

The 1984 President of the National Association of Schools and Colleges of the United Methodist Church, Dr. Hardin also served last year as a lay delegate to the General Conference of the United Methodist Church.

He is a member of the Board of Higher Education of New Jersey, a Director of the Morris County, New Jersey, Chamber of Commerce and several major corporations. He also has been chairman of several national and state organizations of higher education.

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SPRING TOUR
Wesleyan College Glee Club
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*March 20 - First United
Methodist Church,
Thomson, GA.
7:15 p.m. - Sanctuary

*March 21 - Westside
High School, Augusta, GA.
11 a.m. - New Auditorium

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